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A POPULAR CHORD, INDEED

The Board of Supervisors of Cochise County struck a popular chord with the taxpayers of this big county when they announced they would establish a camp of bootleggers, who were recently confined to the county jail for violating the prohibition law, for the purpose of constructing a new road from the Bisbee Extension into Tombstone, connecting up with the excellent roadway through Tombstone Canyon, completed with convict labor by the state. As it is, the present existing road from the Extension into Tombstone is next to impassable, but anyone who has the least idea of roads, knows that it is not the fault of the county. Considerable money and labor has been expended on this particular piece of highway to keep it in repair, but all to no avail, because of the character of earth through which it lies.

First, it is next to impossible to drain the road properly, and second, whenever it rains, the land through the Government Draw being composed of a sort of "gumbo" or adobe earth, becomes boggy, has no bottom, and travel through it is difficult.

The supervisors know this condition and have started the work of remedying.

As planned out by the supervisors and County Engineer Ryan, the work will be permanent, and the road will be built similar to that through Tombstone Canyon, with proper drainage. The proposed route will leave the Bisbee Extension to the left of the present roadway, following the foothills the entire distance into the county seat, and entering the city in the vicinity of the Emerald mine.

Of course the work will take time, and money, and at the same time will give the bootleggers, who are anxious to get on the job, a chance to work out their time, benefiting both themselves and the county, and ultimately, to a greater extent—the taxpayers.

THE LEGISLATIVE REDISTRICTING BILL

At the meeting of the Democratic County Committee at Bisbee, a resolution was introduced and adopted unanimously favoring the proposed amendment known as the Legislative Redistricting Bill. This proposition is one of the most worthy proposals of all the amendments to be voted upon at the coming election as it is identical in with the law passed by the Democratic legislature for supervisory districts. The Legislative Redistricting Bill is manifestly fair and is a non-partisan measure meeting with favor all over the state, as it must when understood by the voter. It brings to each 1500 voters the right to select their own member of the lower house, a strictly home rule measure and it surely improves the standard of membership of the lower house because of the fact that each of the 1500 voters are pretty well known and known by the candidate who aspires to represent that district. This bill does not touch upon the election of senators, but applies to the lower houses only, and if passed, becomes effective in 1918. It is a worthy measure and should meet with favor throughout the state and from time to time we will, during the campaign, point out its many meritorious points. It is said to be the one proposed amendment that has no serious point that can be waged against it. A masterly argument in its favor is made in the pamphlet distributed by the state, by Wm. Adamson, mayor of the growing, pushing, up-to-date city of Douglas.

THE TUNGSTEN SITUATION

There is a prospect of another famine in tungsten, says the Boulder County, Colo., Miner. If there is a shortage of the supply it will be due entirely to the manipulations of the speculators and big steel manufacturers who, when they got a little surplus of the mineral began to beat down the price to a figure so low as to discourage mining. Together with the depression of prices, the buyers showed a reluctance to take the metal, which further discouraged the industry. All this time the reserve of mineral was being depleted and now we are at a point where demand is supplied from day to day by the mines. It is a critical situation and one of which there is not excuse. If the consumers will establish a firm price and an open market they can maintain it at a figure that will be just to the producers and to the consumer also—a just price. Under such a condition of the market the output of tungsten can be stimulated to meet the demand, not swollen as it was last spring by the extraordinary price which speculators forced. Neither producer nor consumer is benefitted by the operations of speculators.

Mainly as a result of conditions similar to those explained above we believe the decline of tungsten mining in the Johnson district is due at the present time. Some of the richest and purest tungsten found in United States lies in the Johnson mining district, as has been proven by recent development work on the various properties during the tungsten boom. At the present low price of the metal, many operators cannot afford to work their properties, but all are holding out with expectations of a rise in the price in the near future. If, as we say, the decline in production is due to the low price being paid by the speculators, bigger things are looked for in Johnson when the price does come back to normal, to stay.

ARIZONA'S STATE LIBRARY

Arizona's state law and legislative reference library contains over 155,000 volumes. Of this number 125,000 volumes are in the general library and 30,000 in the law library proper. Bound copies of all the reports of the governors of Arizona to the war department have been recently added to the library, as have several dozen volumes of priceless historical works obtained by Librarian Cronin from the Massachusetts and Connecticut state libraries. The Arizona state law library contains complete sets of all statutes of all states and territories and insular possessions, as well as the law of all English-speaking foreign countries. It is expected a bill will be introduced at the next session of the state legislature to erect and add to the capital for the use of the library and the supreme court.

AIMING AT ACCURACY

The New York World, through its head, Ralph Pulitzer, has inaugurated a campaign to create a higher degree of accuracy and fair play in covering stories and publishing them.

This movement for higher standards in newspapers and other publications is a meritorious one, and Mr. Pulitzer is to be congratulated for the interest he is taking in the matter. But he forgets, perhaps, for the moment, that certain publications always have maintained the standards he seeks, while the bulk of the press—the yellow journals—were engaged in a wild scramble for sensational stories.

Such stories are colored in order to make sensational headlines, and accuracy, too frequently, was subordinated to sensationalism. New York papers led in this yellow journalism and, for several years, it was difficult to determine which of the New York papers was first in the race to secure sensations. Some believed the World was in the lead, while others claimed the American had beaten its rival. Whichever one carried off the honors, it cannot be denied their policy tended to lower the standard of these publications to an extent which caused them often to be careless of facts of the stories they published.

But, at the same time, during a long period of rampant yellow journalism, such publications as the Boston Transcript, the Springfield Republican, and a number of other papers, maintained their regular policy of giving to their readers truthful news, leaving to the yellow journals the whole field of sensationalism.

That the policy of these conservative papers was proper, measured by success, is shown by the fact that the tide of the demand for sensationalism has reached its crest and is on the wane.

The people do not only want the truth in their newspapers. They are demanding it and, in time, this demand will regulate the policy of owners. Then, when accuracy is obtained, the factor of fair play becomes a dead issue.

It is superfluous to speak of accuracy and fair play. The one includes the other.

Yes sir, it's a fact—a fact that if everybody in this rollicking old world tended strictly to his own business, no matter what that business may be, there would be exactly enough tenders to go around. If you doubt this philosophical reflection, count 'em and see.

CITY PRIMARIES

BROUGHT OUT VOTERS.

The City Primaries today brought out the voters in larger numbers than was anticipated and a much larger vote than has been the custom in previous primaries. Up to four o'clock this afternoon over 160 voters had been cast, mostly democratic, and it is expected that by the time the polls close this evening nearly 275 votes will have been cast. At 5 o'clock 225 votes had been cast.

The fight for the nomination for City Marshal between George Bravin, the present incumbent, and Porter McDonald, was rather spirited, and brought many voters to the polls. For mayor, Guy C. Welch was unopposed, having been endorsed by both parties, while councilmen running on the democratic ticket were as follows: First ward, H. L. Hutchison; none in the second ward; third ward, W. C. O'Hare, and in the fourth a contest was on between R. V. Saunders and W. M. Cavanaugh, present incumbent.

BOY FINDS DEAD

BODY OF MEXICAN

WILLCOX, Oct. 1.—The dead body of a Mexican was found in a clump of mesquite trees north of the R. W. Sprinkle ranch Monday by a small Mexican lad who was out hunting rabbits. He notified Constable Moore, who made an investigation, but could ascertain no facts that would throw any light on the mystery.

When found the body was badly decomposed and it was the opinion of Dr. Wilson that the man had been dead at least ten days.

No marks were discernable on the body that would lead to a suspicion that the man had met foul play. A search of his clothes revealed nothing that would identify him. He was about 28 years of age. The body was buried where found.

BISBEE, Oct. 4—John Clone, watch-

man at the Southwest shaft of the Copper Queen, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon when the Buick car in which he was riding with three companions skidded and overturned on the state highway about half a mile beyond the Divide. Jack Caddell, and F. T. Burns, who were coming up the hill from the other side in a machine said that the Buick was skidding and swaying from side to side without leaving the road when they first saw it. The back end of the Buick swung off the road throwing out the other three passengers, the machine rolling over and over carrying Clone with it and crushing his head and killing him instantly.

Accompanying Clone were his sons, Wilfred Clone, and his son-in-law, Stanley Walton, and an automobile chauffeur named Harris whom the party had engaged to take them over the hill. Stanley Walton had borrowed the machine of his father-in-law to take his wife, Carrie Clone to Douglas in the afternoon, but while she was getting ready for the trip Mr. Clone decided that they would get a driver to take them for a little trip over the Divide, as Walton was an inexperienced driver.

The only surviving relatives of Mr. Clone are his son Wilfred and his son Wilfred, and his daughter, Mrs. Carrie Walton. His wife died the 25th of January of this year. The family lived at 147-D Vaughan Hill in Tombstone canyon.

ROUND-UP AT REEVES'

RANCH TODAY.

The fall round-up is at the Reeves ranch today. Several local cattlemen and auto parties attended the affair. Tomorrow the round-up will be at the Stockton ranch. The stock is in fine condition this year and the cattlemen are highly pleased with the results of the round-up thus far.

DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM ADOPTED AT PHOENIX

After 21 hours of continuous labor, during which time the best brains and the most voluminous vocabularies of the Democratic party in Arizona had been called into play, the state platform was presented to the party council at its recent meeting in Phoenix and adopted. It is of great length, touching on international, national, and state politics. It endorses President Wilson, Governor Hunt and all their policies.

In assuring the people of the state that all the highly polished phrases would be fulfilled, the platform says: "A record of vital pledges redeemed, of constructive legislation enacted, of executive wisdom and courage exemplified, in nation and in state, such as no party of any time has equalled of approach, affords abundant earnest of the honest, straightforward, capable manner in which the sacred obligations of this government will be fulfilled."

Covers Wide Field

The platform speaks of the triumphs of the national administration as "outstanding and constituting a luminous page in the glory book of the nation's eventful history."

Other points touched upon in the preamble are the Adamson eight-hour law, the anti-child labor law, the income tax constitutional amendment, the federal road act, the co-operative agricultural extension act, and the federal farm loan law.

In speaking of Governor Hunt, the platform has the following to say:

"We unqualifiedly endorse the administration headed and directed by George W. P. Hunt, democratic governor of the state of Arizona. We challenge comparison of the record of his administration with any other administration of Arizona at any time. We commend him for his insistence upon equality of all before the law, the capitalist, the farmer and the laborer; for his exemplification of economy in the administration of our governmental departments, and his unimpeachable record throughout a score of years of public service."

Labor Question

The labor question is given its share of space in the following words: "We heartily commend the action of our democratic congress in elevating labor from the category of commodities and the passage of laws restricting the granting of inequitable judgments in restraint of the rights of laborers."

"We submit that the health, happiness, and welfare of its citizens should be a nation's greatest concern. Laborers are entitled to a reasonable opportunity for rest, recreation and improvement. Surrender of such rights and opportunities should not be required of the toilers in any of our industries, without remuneration commensurate with the hardships of such sacrifices. We further submit that the public has a vital interest in industrial difficulties affecting its welfare."

Clifton Strike

"We believe that the true relation between labor and capital is one of co-operation, and to that end we favor the passage of such laws and the creation of such governmental machinery as will render possible that desirable relation."

"We point to the settlement of the Clifton-Morenci strike as the only one of its magnitude in the history of the world without loss of lives or the destruction of property, an achievement unique in the adjustment of industrial difficulties as a monument to the just, orderly and impartial administration of law under Governor Hunt."

The workmen's compensation bill, which is to come before the people of the state at the election is condemned in the platform. Following is the manner in which it is condemned:

Compensation Law.

"We favor the enactment, in constitutional form, of a workmen's compensation law in keeping with the broad public policy exemplified by the democratic party."

"We denounce as contrary to the spirit of that public policy, as abrogating the employer's liability enactments, as destructive of the consti-

HARRY LOCKE VISITS TOMBSTONE.

Harry Locke, official field engineer for the Old Spanish Trail route, accompanied by his wife and mechanic H. Abbott, of Pensacola, Florida, were in the city Saturday and Sunday and while here were the guests of A. H. Gardner, who is a director of that route which runs from Tampa and Miami, Florida, to Los Angeles and San Francisco, via San Diego, and which merges with the Borderland route at El Paso.

Mr. Locke has met with great success through the southern states in his promotion of this route which is known to be the only route in all the United States that is open from ocean to ocean every day in the year.

Mr. Locke is remapping the Borderland, which he originally mapped some time ago, and stated to a Prospector reporter that he was agreeably surprised to find improvements all along the line from El Paso since he last covered it.

The Old Mission Route Book, which he has just issued, is one of the best books of its kind ever off the press and is the first complete route book of an ocean to ocean route ever issued.

The Prospector will soon publish a map of the route as officially endorsed and adopted. The party left for Tucson at noon yesterday.

APPROVAL OF MINERAL SURVEY.

PHOENIX, Oct. 2.—The surveyor general has approved mineral survey No. 3220, Narrow Gauge lode mining claim, situated in the Tombstone mining district, Cochise county, and owned by the Bunker Hill Mines company.

Legislative guarantees affecting labor and detrimental to the best interests of those it is designed most to benefit, the proposed so-called workmen's compulsory compensation amendment to the ballot for submission to the voters as proposition Nos. 119 and 111."

Termining the legislative redistricting amendment a "gerrymander" the platform in no uncertain terms denounces the bill to come before the people at the coming election, in which an effort will be made to change the manner in which representatives are sent to the state legislature. The platform claims that "it is an obvious design, upon the part and in the behalf of powerful interests and of a desperate political party, to promote sectional rather than state legislation, to pave the way for the same corrupt gerrymandering of legislative districts that has long caused some of the older and more reactionary states, and to redistrict, to the public detriment, the area within which the people of the various counties may select their legislative material."

Suffrage and prohibition are taken care of as follows:

Endorses Suffrage and Prohibition. "We endorse equal suffrage and promise the support in the future as in the past, of our senators and representative, of the Susan B. Anthony amendment, and any other amendment that will bring about the enfranchisement of the women of the United States, a right denied them through 33 years of republican domination of congress."

"We endorse the prohibition amendment to the state constitution secured through the machinery provided by democratic effort, and congratulate Arizona upon the manifest benefits it has brought. We also favor the rigid enforcement of such prohibition measures as may be adopted by vote of the people or by legislative enactment, and urge the adoption of such measures as will give the fullest effect to the expressed will and desire of the people."

In addition to the above planks, the governor's prison reform, the state record of the party, taxation, capital, conservation, state lands and budget system, preserving popular government, and a long conclusion compose the platform.

Senators Ashurst and Smith, and Congressman Carl Hayden are endorsed.

NOTED WRITERS TO

HUNT ARIZONA BEAR

ST. JOHNS, Ariz., Sept. 30.—The little village of Greer in the south end of Apache county is located on the headwaters of the Little Colorado river and is not very far from the Apache Indian reservation. It comes as nearly being a frontier settlement as any you will find left in the western part of America. For some three or four years past James Willard Schultz, the well known writer of Indian stories, has been staying at Greer and has been doing a great deal of his writing and several of his productions have been written while he has been there.

At the present time, Stewart Edward White, the celebrated writer of the "Blazed Trail," "Arizona Nights" and the "Gray Dawn" is also at Greer in company with Mr. Schultz. They are soon to be joined by Zane Gray, the well known author of the "Purple Sage," and so many other western stories. The three are intending to go hunting bear together as soon as arrangements are completed.

To assist in the hunt for bruin, a pack of hounds are being made ready and some of the best camp cooks and most experienced guides from the south end of Apache county have been employed to accompany the well known writers on their trip.

SOLDIER FATALLY WOUNDED AT MUZZLE OF BIG GUN

DOUGLAS, Oct. 1.—Private Abraham E. Geinick, aged 22, native of England, was fatally wounded at sub-caliber practice with E. Battery Sixth field artillery of which he was a member. The order to cease firing had been given and Geinick had gone to the muzzle of the gun, when the trigger was pressed.

The missile struck him in the left side, tearing a gaping hole, inflicting a wound from the effects of which he died half an hour later, while being taken to the base hospital at Camp Harry J. Jones.

The body was sent Sunday to Fort Huachuca for interment.

MENINGITIS CASE IN BISBEE.

BISBEE, Oct. 1.—Mrs. Ross Sanborn was taken to the county hospital near Don Luis last evening suffering with what is diagnosed as, perhaps, a fatal attack of cerebro spinal meningitis. Mrs. Sanborn has been ailing for several days but the exact symptoms of meningitis did not develop since the first part of the summer when ten cases raged in the Warren district.

OLD TOMBSTONE PIONEER DIES IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Word has been received in Tombstone of the death on the 28 of September of Chas. Langpaap, one of Tombstone's early pioneers, who resided here up until about ten years ago, moving to San Francisco with his family. Deceased was about 71 years of age at the time of death, and his passing will be regretted by many old timers of Tombstone.

RUSH OF APPLICANTS FOR REGISTER OF LAND OFFICE

PHOENIX, Oct. 4.—The vacancy in the office of receiver of the United States land office in this city, caused by the death of Thomas F. Weedon, is cause for activity on the part of democratic politicians here and elsewhere in the state. Already it is known that there will be at least half a dozen applicants for this position. Those already announced as in the race for the vacant land office position are E. J. Trippel, now assistant state land commissioner; Mulford Winsor, state senator elect in Yuma county; J. L. Irvin, attorney of Phoenix; Frank Lutz, retiring chairman of the board of supervisors of Maricopa county; Chas. M. Shannon, for many years a pioneer resident of Graham county, now a resident of Pinal county.

VISITING PARENTS.

Mrs. J. B. Pope, and children, of Douglas, are visiting in Douglas for several days, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Johnson, parents of Mrs. Pope.